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In re Application of:)
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Tohru DEN, et al.)
: Group Art Unit: 2811
Application No.: 09/666,605)
: Filed: September 20, 2000)
: For: STRUCTURE HAVING PORES,) October 17, 2003
: DEVICE USING THE SAME, AND)
: MANUFACTURING METHODS)
: THEREFOR)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed.

The Masuda article is discussed at page 4 of the specification and might be deemed relevant for the reasons given there. The other listed document is an English-language translation of JP 11-200090, cited in the Information Disclosure Statement dated September 19, 2000. A copy of the translation was attached to the Supplement to

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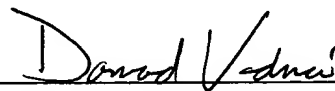
We also enclose a check for the required fee of \$180.00 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c)(2). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee which may be required in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned with the next official communication indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



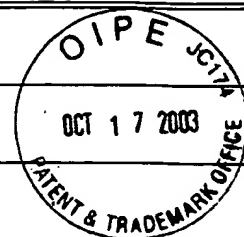
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	Masuda, "Metal nanohole array having high regularity formed of anodized alumina," KOTAIBUTSURI (Solid State Physics) 31, vol. 31, no. 5, pp. 493-499 (1996).
	English-language translation of JP 11-200090.

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